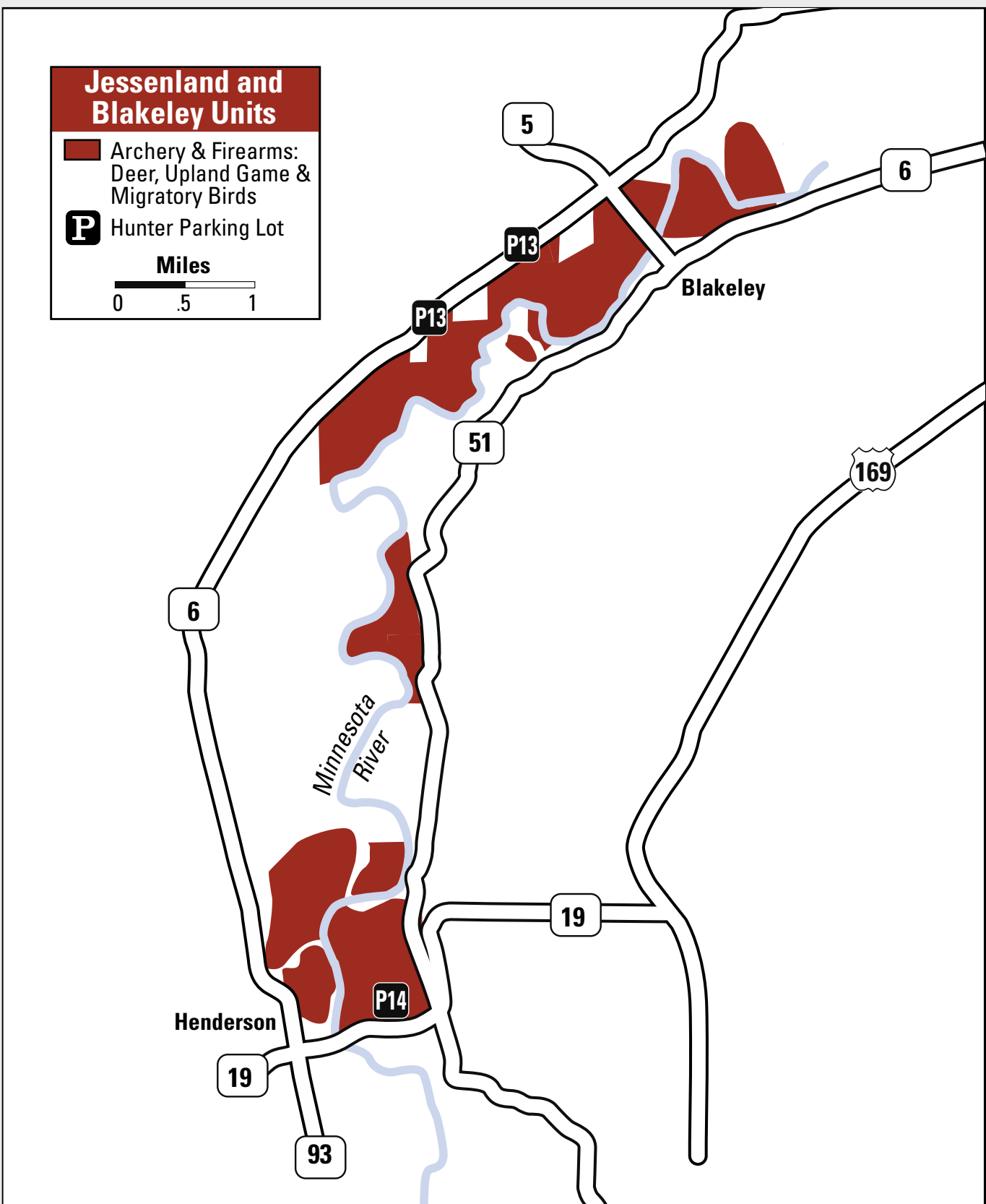
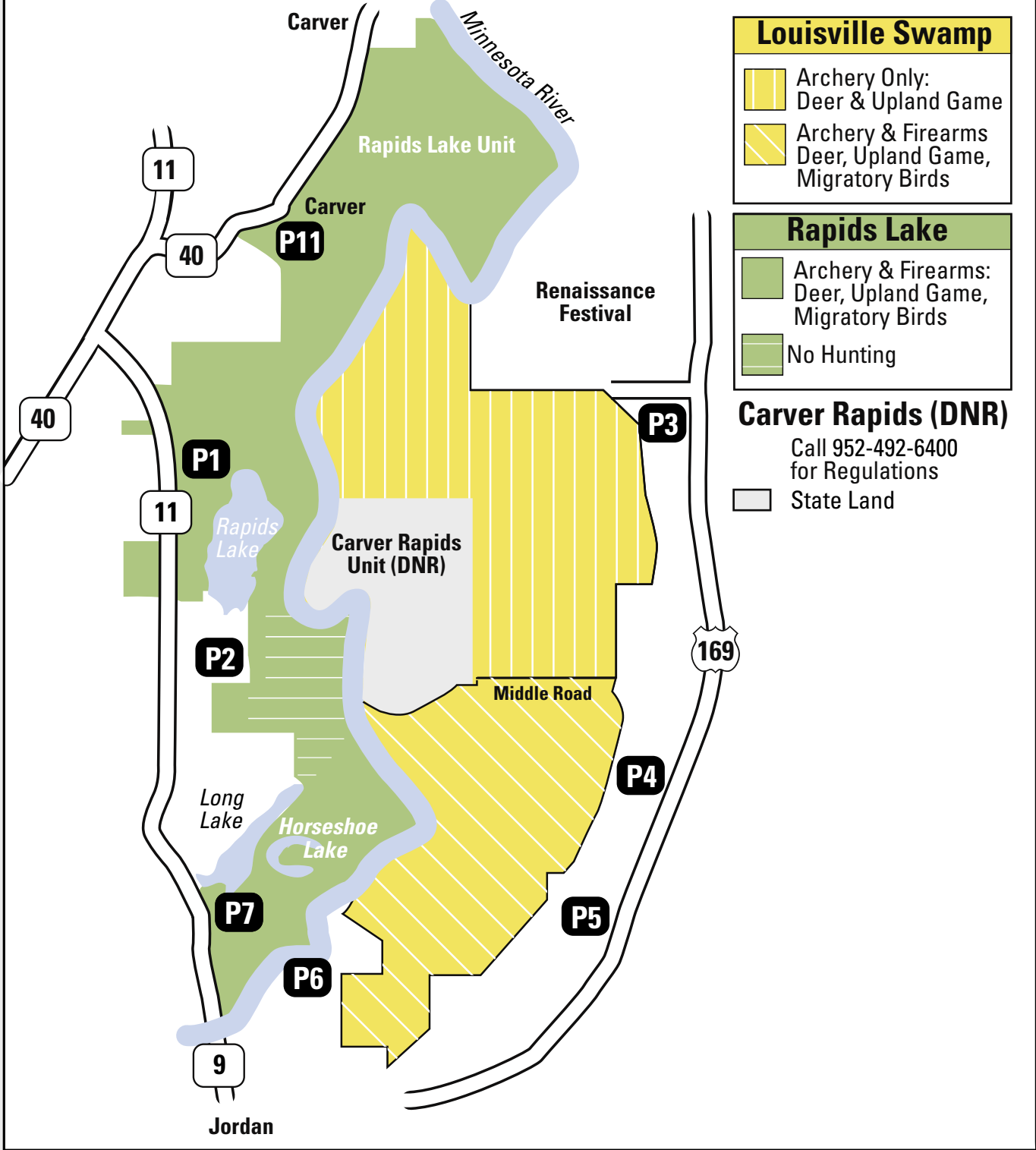
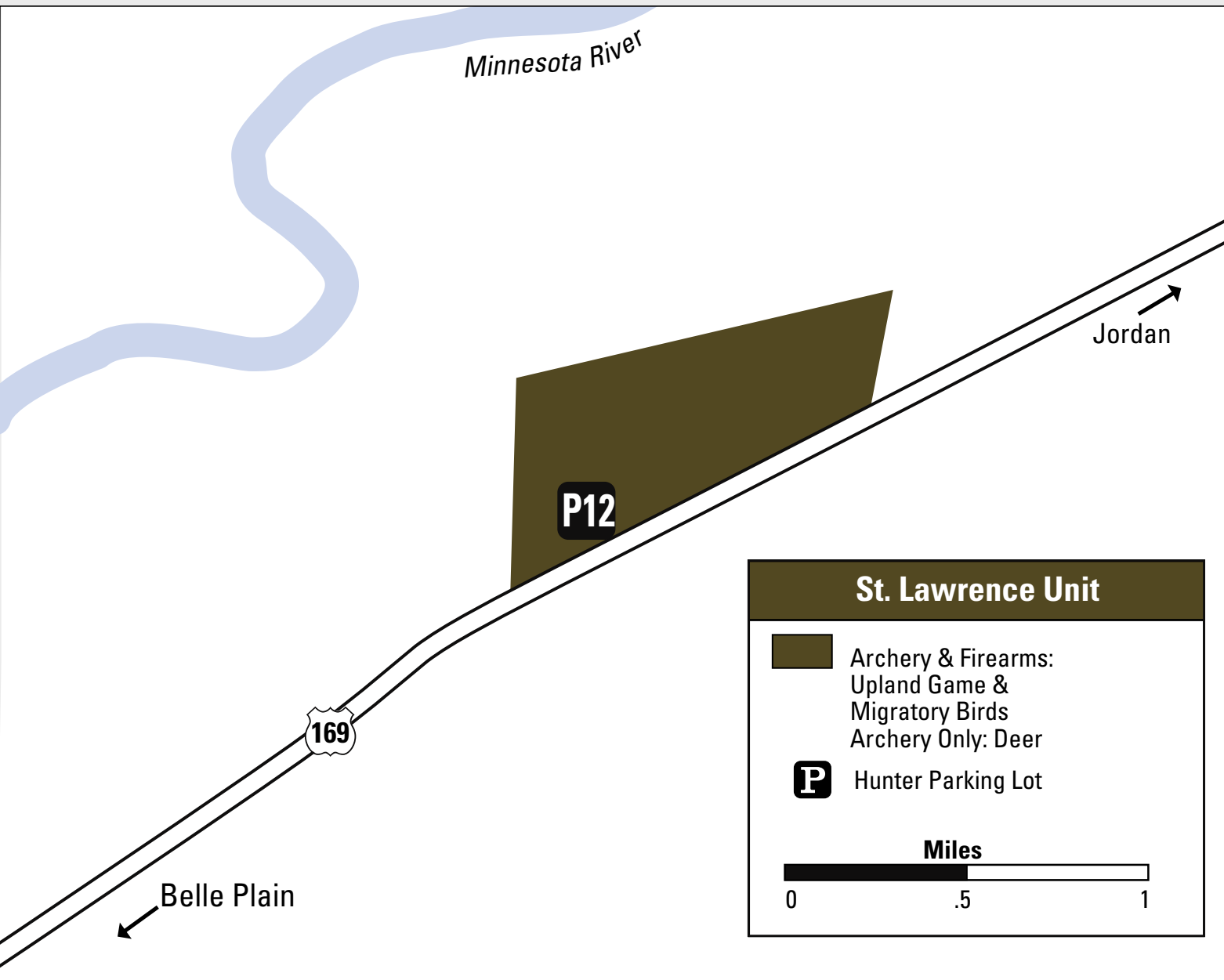
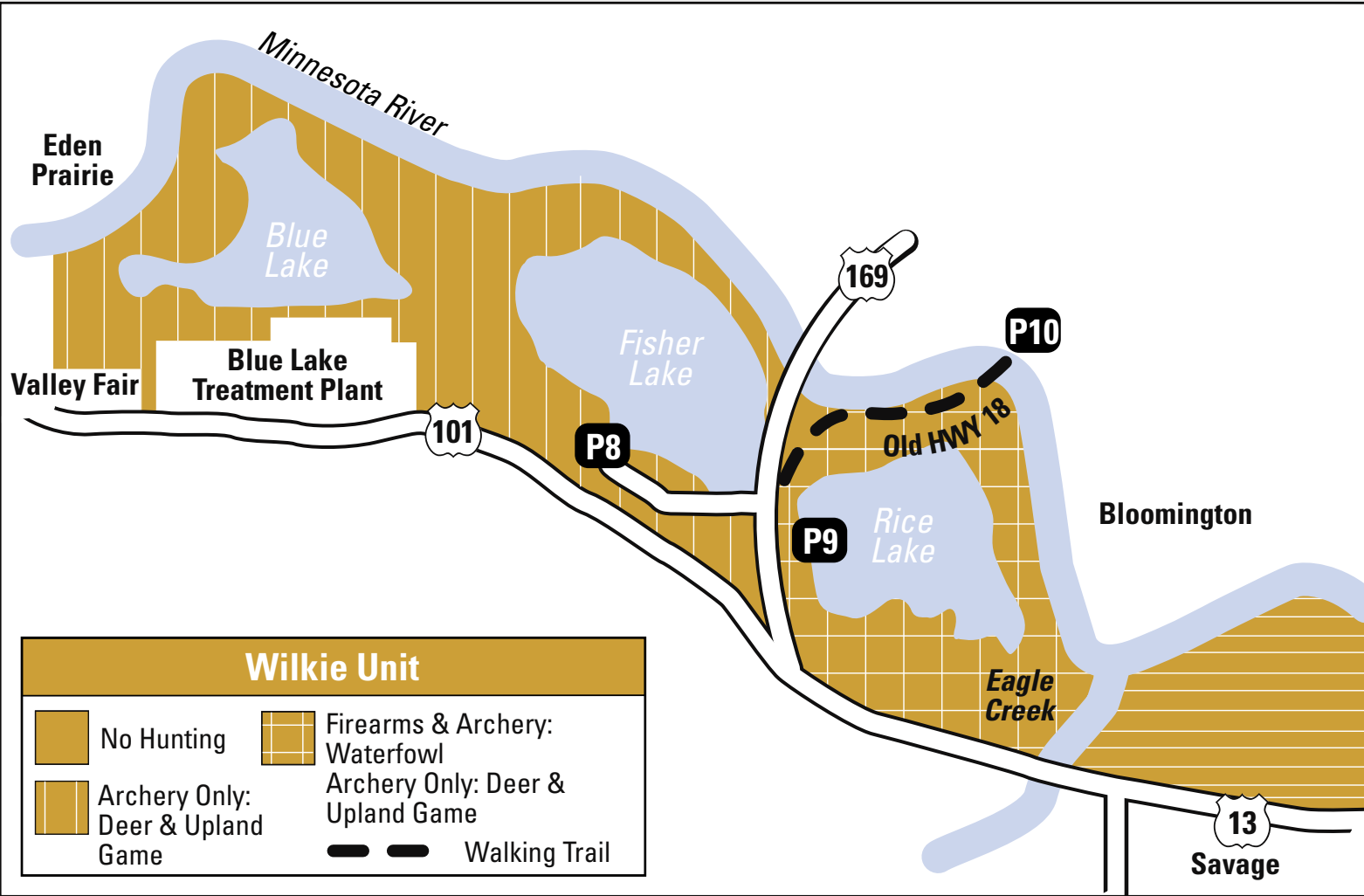
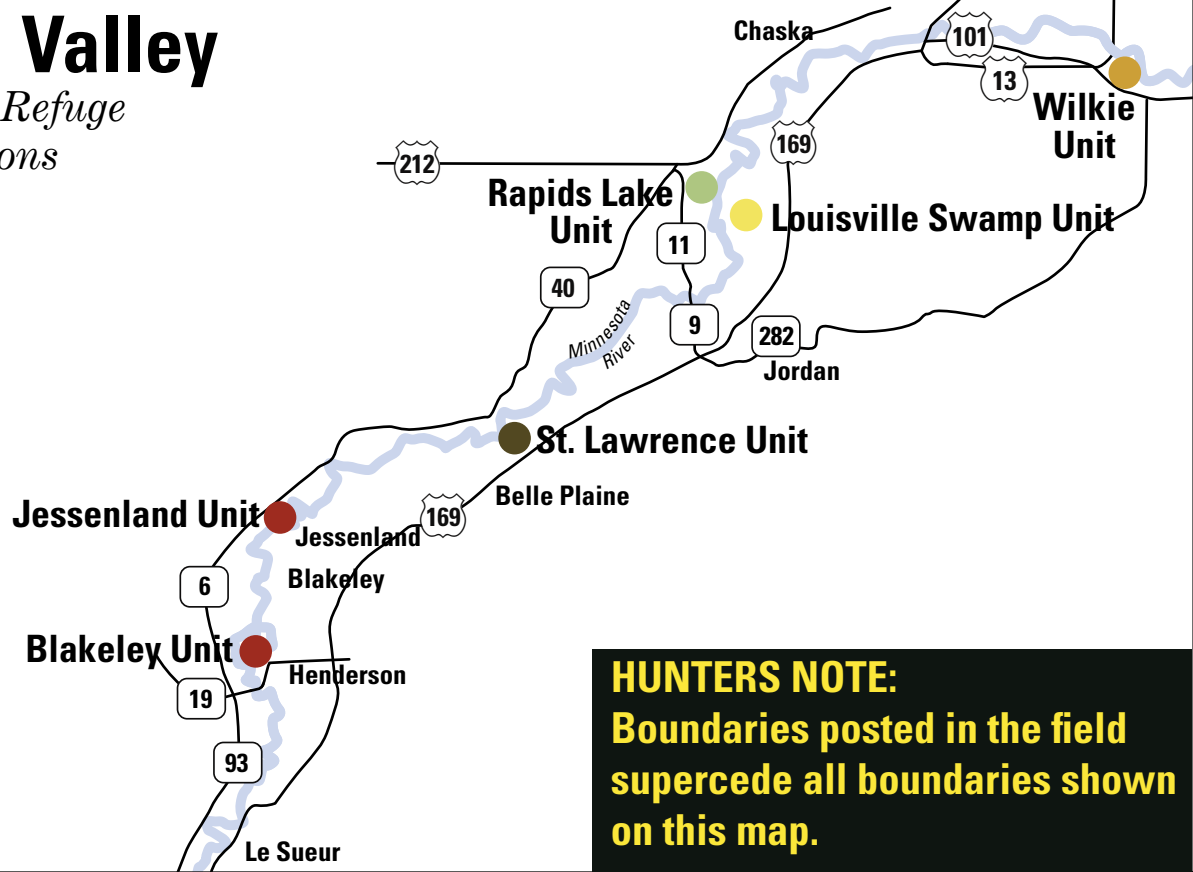


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Bloomington, MN 55425-1600
952/854-5900

Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge
Rapids Lake Education and Visitor Center
15865 Carver Highlands Drive
Carver, MN 55315
952/361 4500

People with hearing impairments
may reach Minnesota Valley NWR through
the Federal Information Relay System at
1 800/877 8339

Minnesota Valley's website address:
<http://midwest.fws.gov/minnesotavalley>

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
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<http://www.fws.gov>



Contacts:
Emergencies.....911

To report violations:

Refuge Law Enforcement Officer ...952-854-5900
TIP Line..... 1-800-652-9093

Carver Rapids Unit - DNR.....952-492-6400

West Metro State Conservation
Office Dispatch.....651-582-1511

Contact the refuge at 952-854-5900 for more information.

For other hunting opportunities on Waterfowl
Production Areas visit our website at:
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General Hunting Regulations
Minnesota state regulations and refuge specific regulations will be enforced. Refuge specific regulations on refuge units described in this brochure. Each unit offers specific hunting opportunities during Minnesota state seasons. **You may only hunt species listed in this brochure.**

Furbearers, including coyotes, and crows may not be hunted on the refuge at any time.

Camping and fires on the refuge are prohibited.

For authorized hunting, refuge is open two hours before legal shooting time to one hour after legal shooting time.

Some areas have been posted as *No Hunting Zone* to protect buildings, private property, or critical habitat areas. Hunt areas may not be accessed through No Hunting Zones.

Possession of toxic shot is prohibited unless hunting deer or hunting upland game with single projectile ammunition.

Upland game hunting with single projectile ammunition is prohibited on all Refuge Units except on the Jessenland and Blakely Units. On the Jessenland and Blakely Units, .17 and .22 caliber rimfire ammunition is

Rapids Lake Hunting Activities & Regulations

Rapids Lake Unit

- Big Game
- White-tailed deer
- Migratory Birds
- Goose, duck, merganser, moorhen, coot, rails, woodcock, common snipe, and mourning dove
- Upland Game
- Ruffed grouse, gray partridge, ring-necked pheasant, gray and fox squirrel, snowshoe hare, cotton tail rabbit, jackrabbit and wild turkey (spring and fall turkey state season).

Please Note:
There are several **No Hunting Zones** in the Rapids Lake Unit near housing developments, trails, and buildings. Areas are posted on site.

P1

14905 Jonathan Carver Parkway
From Hwy 212, exit onto Jonathan Carver miles, continuing left on Co. Rd. 11. Proceed 3/4-mile south, lot is on the left side.

P2

15847 Carver Highlands Drive
From P1, continue south 1 mile on Co. Rd 11, turn left on Carver Highlands Drive. Proceed 1 mile east of this intersection to the lot on the left.

P7

17000 Jonathan Carver Parkway
From the Co. Rd. 11/Carver Highlands Drive intersection, proceed south on Co. Rd. 11. Parking area is 1.7 miles on the left.

P11

102 Carver Bluffs Parkway
From Hwy 212, exit onto Jonathan Carver miles, making a left turn on County Road 40. Proceed north to Carver Bluffs Parkway and turn right. Proceed to first stop sign and turn left into the park.

Louisville Swamp Hunting Activities & Regulations

- Big Game: Archery Only
- White-tailed deer
- Migratory Birds: CLOSED
- Upland Game: Archery only

South of Middle Road
Ruffed grouse, gray partridge, ring-necked pheasant, gray and fox squirrel, snowshoe hare, cottontail rabbit, jackrabbit and wild turkey (spring and fall turkey state season).

- Big Game: Archery and Firearms
- White-tailed deer
- Migratory Birds
- Goose, duck, merganser, moorhen, coot, rails, woodcock, common snipe, and mourning dove
- Upland Game: Archery and Firearms
- Ruffed grouse, gray partridge, ring-necked pheasant, gray and fox squirrel, snowshoe hare, cottontail rabbit, jackrabbit and wild turkey (spring and fall turkey state season).

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- Upland Game: Archery Only
- Ruffed grouse, gray partridge, ring-necked pheasant, gray and fox squirrel, snowshoe hare, cottontail rabbit, jackrabbit and wild turkey (spring and fall turkey state season).

P9

East of Eagle Creek
■ CLOSED to all hunting
7701 County Road 101 East, Shakopee
From the HWY 169/101 interchange, proceed west on HWY 101 1/4-mile to the first stoplight right into the parking lot.

P10

11255 Bloomington Ferry Road, Bloomington
From HWY 169 exit onto Old Shakopee Road and travel east about 0.7 miles. Turn right (south) onto Bloomington Ferry Road near the Dred Scott Playfields, continue for 1/2-mile. Turn right onto Bloomington Ferry Circle, drive down the hill to the parking area. Walk across the pedestrian bridge to access the Wilkie Unit.

P13

Jessenland Unit
Two parking lots on south side of CR 6 one and two miles SW of the intersection of CR 5

P14

Blakely Unit
Approximately one mile east of Henderson on Hwy 19. Lot is on north side of road.



P6

17401 Duck Lane, Jordan
Exit HWY 169 as described for P5 above. Turn left at the "T" intersection. Drive 1.5 miles south on Valley View Drive, past the Scott County Jail Annex, over the railroad tracks, and then turn right on Circle Drive. Drive 1 block uphill to Highway Ave. Turn left and drive 1 block to Duck Lane. Turn right on Duck Lane. Hunter Parking Area is at the gate 1 mile N. 4-wheel drive is recommended until freeze-up.

P5

17000 Valley View Drive, Jordan
Exit HWY 169 7.5 miles south of Shakopee. Travel west on 173rd St. 1/4 mile on 173rd St. W. to a "T" intersection at Valley View Drive. Turn right. Drive over the railroad tracks carefully. Parking is 1/8 mile beyond the tracks.

P4

16210 Jordan Ave., Jordan
Exit HWY 169 1/2 miles south of Shakopee on Bluff Drive. Drive west 1/4-mile in to Jordan Ave., and turn right. Park on the right edge of the road, at least 100 yards from the house. Please stay on road to refuge entrance and respect private property.

P3

3801 145th St. W., Shakopee
Exit HWY 169 at 145th St. W. approximately 4.75 miles south of Shakopee. Parking is 1/2 mile west. Drive past the main entrance to the Renaissance Festival, over the next set of railroad tracks, and bear left.

Wilkie Hunting Activities & Regulations

Refuge land east of Valleyfair and west of Eagle Creek.

- Rice Lake Area** (from Eagle Creek west to the Highway 169 bridge)
- Big Game: Archery Only
 - White-tailed deer
 - Waterfowl Only: (Closed to Spring Goose Hunting)
 - Goose, duck, merganser, moorhen, coot, rails.
 - Upland Game: Archery Only
 - Ruffed grouse, gray partridge, ring-necked pheasant, gray and fox squirrel, snowshoe hare, cottontail rabbit, jackrabbit and wild turkey (spring and fall turkey state season).

- West of Highway 169 bridge (including Fisher and Blue Lakes)**
- Big Game: Archery Only
 - White-tailed deer
 - Migratory Birds: CLOSED

St. Lawrence Hunting Activities & Regulations

- Big Game: Archery Only
- White-tailed deer
- Migratory Birds
- Goose, duck, merganser, moorhen, coot, rails, woodcock, common snipe, and mourning dove
- Upland Game
- Ruffed grouse, gray partridge, ring-necked pheasant, gray and fox squirrel, snowshoe hare, cottontail rabbit, jackrabbit and wild turkey (spring and fall turkey state season).

Lot is approximately half way between Jordan and Belle Plaine on north side of HWY 169.

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